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VERIFIED STATEMENT EXPLAINING ERROR IN CONNECTION V **SMALL ENTITY STATUS** 

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This verified Statement is made by the person having personal knowledge to explain how the error in good faith occurred and when it was discovered in connection with the accompanying NOTIFICATION OF ERROR IN PAYMENT OF FEE(S) AS A SMALL ENTITY, for the above-identified Patent Application No. 10/721,682 (hereinafter the "Application").

I, John R. Hlavka, having personal knowledge concerning the above error, declare:

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- before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. My U.S. Patent and Trademark Registration No. is 29,076.
- 2. I am responsible for providing intellectual property law services, including the payment of all fees associated with the Application pre-issue and post-issue, for <u>Beckett Gas, Inc.</u>, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Ohio and having a principal place of business at 38000 Taylor Parkway, North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039.
- 3. <u>Beckett Gas, Inc.</u> is the assignee of record of the Application.
- 4. During the prosecution of the '682 application, it was discovered Beckett Gas, Inc. should be considered a "large entity". As a result of this discovery, fee payments were made to the U.S. Patent Office in order to correct the deficiency. Except for the Issue Fee, all subsequent fees were paid as a large entity.
- 5. The Notice of Allowance and Fees Due form, that was received on April 9, 2007 incorrectly indicated that a small entity Issue Fee was due. The error on the Notice of Allowance went unnoticed and, as a result, the incorrect

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Issue Fee of \$1,000 was paid rather than \$1,700. The payment

deficiency was \$700.00

Total deficiency owed: \$700.00. (See enclosed PTO-2038 Form)

6. Any error in paying the above listed fees as a small entity was

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7. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own

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